

Criminal Appeals Questionnaire

9th Circuit Court of Appeals

To facilitate the efficient and effective processing of direct criminal appeals, the court seeks the assistance of defense counsel in identifying cases that might benefit from coordinated briefing or case budgeting.

Please answer the questions below and file your completed questionnaire within **seven** days using the filing event “Criminal Appeals Questionnaire” in ACMS. Attach extra sheets if you need more space to explain an answer.

9th Cir. Case Number: 24-3304

9th Cir. Case Name: US v. Joao DeBorba

Counsel's Name: Rebecca Fish

Party Represented: Joao DeBorba

Type of Appointment: ☐ Criminal Justice Act ☒ Federal Defender ☐ Retained

Did appellant go to trial? ☒ Yes ☐ No | If yes, number of trial days: 1

Did appellant have co-defendants? ☐ Yes ☒ No | If yes, number of co-defendants:

Do you see any possible benefit in coordinating briefing of this appeal with any other pending or anticipated appeals? ☒ Yes ☐ No | If yes, please explain:

US v. Vazquez-Ramirez, COA# 24-3544

Is there anything about this case that is unusually extended or complex?

☐ Yes ☒ No | If yes, please explain:

If you are a CJA attorney and anticipate that attorney hours might exceed 300 or costs might exceed \$50,000 in this appeal, please email: Sara_Rief@ca9.uscourts.gov

Information on Case Budgeting

[Criminal Justice Act Policies and Procedures \(uscourts.gov\)](https://uscourts.gov/criminal-justice-act-policies-and-procedures)

[Budget Process Overview \(uscourts.gov\)](https://uscourts.gov/budget-process-overview)